

OPTIMAL DAMPING FOR A  
TWO-DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURE

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SYNTHESIS OF THE DAMPING MATRIX  
FOR SPECIFIED DAMPING RATIOS

$$[\ddot{M}]\{\ddot{x}\} + [\ddot{k}]\{\dot{x}\} = \{F\} \quad \{\dot{x}\} \text{ is } n \times 1$$

CONTROL FORCES

$$\{F\} = [B]\{u\} \quad \{u\} \text{ is } A \times 1$$

A = number of actuators

$$\{u\} = -[D]\{\dot{x}\} \quad [D] \text{ is } A \times n$$

or

$$\{F\} = -[C]\{\ddot{x}\}$$

where

$$[C] = [B][D]$$

PROBLEM

Find  $c_{ij}$  such that

$$J = \sum_{i,j} |c_{ij}|$$

is minimized subject to the constraints

$$\zeta_i > \zeta_{ip} \quad \text{for } i = 1 \text{ to } L$$

and

$$c_{ii} > 0, \quad c_{ij} = c_{ji}$$

$\zeta_{ip}$  = prescribed damping ratios for the  $i$ th mode

Eigenvalue Problem:

$$(s^2[M] + s[C] + [K])\{\rho\} = \{0\}$$

with roots

$$s_i = -\zeta_i \omega_{in} + j\omega_{in} \sqrt{1 - \zeta_i^2}$$

DAMPED EIGENVALUE PROBLEM:

$$\{\dot{z}\} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -M^{-1}K & -M^{-1}C \end{bmatrix}_{2n \times 2n} \{z\}$$

ALTERNATE EFFICIENT  
FORMULATION FOR  
CHARACTERISTIC EQUATION :

$$\det([I] + s[\hat{R}(s)][\hat{C}]) = 0$$

ASSUMING NO. OF DAMPERS <<  
NO. OF D.O.F.

$[\hat{R}]$  = SUBMATRIX OF  $[R]$

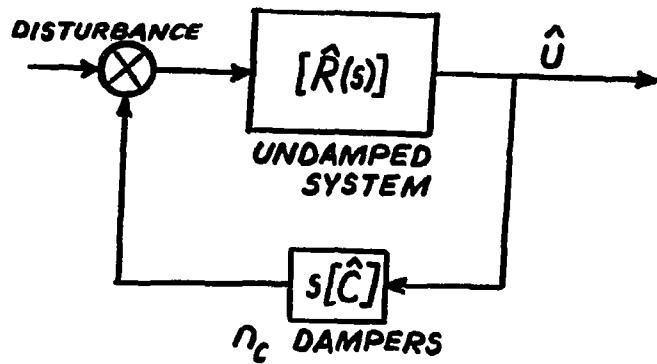
$$[R] = (s^2[M] + [K])^{-1}$$

SPECTRAL REPRESENTATION

$$R_{ik} = \sum_{l=1}^n \frac{\phi_{il} \phi_{kl}}{G_l(s^2 + \omega_l^2)}$$

$$\approx \sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\phi_{il} \phi_{kl}}{G_l(s^2 + \omega_l^2)}$$

## DERIVATION OF CHARACTERISTIC EQUATION :



∴ CHARACTERISTIC EQ. IS :

$$\det([I] + s[\hat{R}][\hat{C}]) = 0$$

SPECIAL CASE :

INTRODUCE SINGLE DAMPER  
AT D.O.F. J

CHARACTERISTIC EQUATION:

$$1 + s C R_{JJ} = 0$$

OR

$$\frac{1}{C} = - \sum_{l=1}^n \frac{s \phi_{Jl}^2}{G_l(s^2 + \omega_l^2)}$$

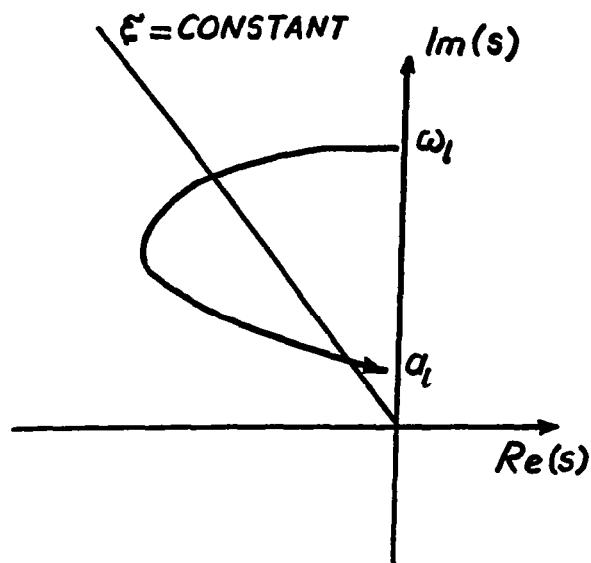
DEFINITION:

OPTIMAL DAMPER LOCATIONS  
FOR A PARTICULAR MODE  
ARE WHERE EITHER

MAXIMUM DAMPING CAN  
BE INTRODUCED

OR

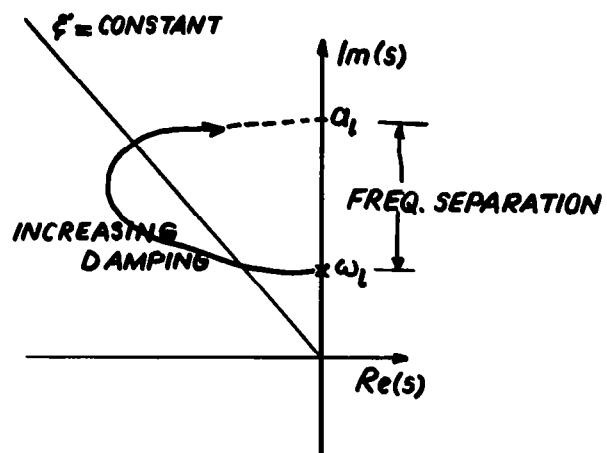
ACHIEVE GIVEN DAMPING  
WITH MINIMUM DAMPING  
CONSTANTS



TYPICAL ROOT LOCUS PLOT

## MINIMUM CONSTRAINED FREQUENCY CRITERION (MCFC)

THE OPTIMAL DAMPER  
LOCATION IS WHERE THE  
CONSTRAINED FREQUENCY  
IS A MINIMUM



TYPICAL ROOT LOCUS  
FOR INTRODUCING MORE  
DAMPERS THAN NO. OF  
RIGID BODY MODES

## MAXIMUM FREQUENCY SEPARATION CRITERION (MFSC)

THE OPTIMAL DAMPER  
LOCATION IS WHERE  
THE SEPARATION BETWEEN  
THE CONSTRAINED  
FREQUENCY AND THE  
NATURAL FREQUENCY  
IS MAXIMUM

SYNTHESIS OF SINGLE DAMPER  
CHARACTERISTIC EQUATION IS

$$f(s) = 1 + sR_{JJ}(s)c = 1 + cP(s) + jcQ(s) = 0$$

SPECIFY  $\xi$  (OR  $\omega_{nl}$ )

THEN

$$s_l = -\xi_l \omega_{nl} + j\sqrt{1-\xi_l^2} \omega_{nl}$$

SOLVE FOR  $\omega_{nl}$  (OR  $\xi_l$ )

FROM  $Q(s_l) = 0$

THE DESIRED DAMPING CONSTANT

$$c = -\frac{1}{P(s_l)}$$

$c > 0$  IF  $s_l$  IS REALIZABLE

## SYNTHESIS OF MULTIPLE DAMPERS

CHARACTERISTIC EQUATION IS

$$f(s) = \det(I + s\hat{R}(s)\hat{C}) = P(s, \xi) + jQ(s, \xi) = 0$$

### CASE 1

SPECIFY  $n_c$   $\xi$ 's

THEN SOLVE FOR

$$\underline{C} = [C_1, C_2, \dots, C_{n_c}]^T$$

AND

$\omega_{n_1}, \omega_{n_2}, \dots, \omega_{n_{n_c}}$   
FROM THE  $2n_c$  EQS

$$\begin{aligned} P(s_l, \xi) &= 0 & \text{FOR } l=1 \text{ TO } n_c \\ Q(s_l, \xi) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

### CASE 2

SPECIFY  $E$   $\xi$ 's WITH  $E < n_c$

THEN  $\underline{C}$  AND  $\omega_{n_1}, \omega_{n_2}, \dots, \omega_{n_E}$   
CAN BE FOUND FROM

$$\text{MINIMIZE } J = \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} C_i + \sum_{l=1}^E |f(s_l)|$$

WITH  $C_i \geq 0$

$$\omega_n \geq 0$$

**RANK OF SOME TWO DAMPER LOCATIONS  
ACCORDING TO MCFC**

DAMPER LOCATIONS	CORRESPONDING LOWEST CONSTRAINED FREQUENCY	RANK
1, 88	4.58 RAD/SEC	1
1, 50	6.89	3
11, 58	7.50	4
34, 44	6.54	2

**DAMPING CONSTANTS REQUIRED TO  
ACHIEVE  $\xi_4 = 0.6$**

DAMPER LOCATION		REQUIRED		
NO. 1	NO. 2	$C_1$	$C_2$	$C_1 + C_2$
1	88	0.296	0.136	0.432
1	50	0.262	1.024	1.286
11	58	0.311	1.130	1.441
34	44	0.498	0.565	1.064

**THREE DAMPER EXAMPLE**

DAMPER LOCATIONS	$\alpha_4$	$ \omega_4 - \alpha_4 $	$\alpha_5$	$ \omega_5 - \alpha_5 $
1, 50, 88	0.62	13.13	11.56	4.81
1, 44, 78	6.40	7.35	8.48	7.89

**MAXIMUM DAMPING ACHIEVED IN FIRST  
TWO VIBRATORY MODES  
(WITH SAME DAMPING CONSTANT AT ALL  
LOCATIONS)**

DAMPER LOCATIONS	$\xi_4$	DAMPER VALUE	$\xi_5$	DAMPER VALUE
1, 50, 88	0.95	0.34	0.05	0.48
1, 44, 78	0.60	0.31	0.46	0.34

## CONCLUSIONS

- CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF OPTIMAL DAMPER LOCATIONS PRESENTED
- DAMPING SYNTHESIS PROBLEM FORMULATED AND APPLIED TO NASA GRILLAGE MODEL

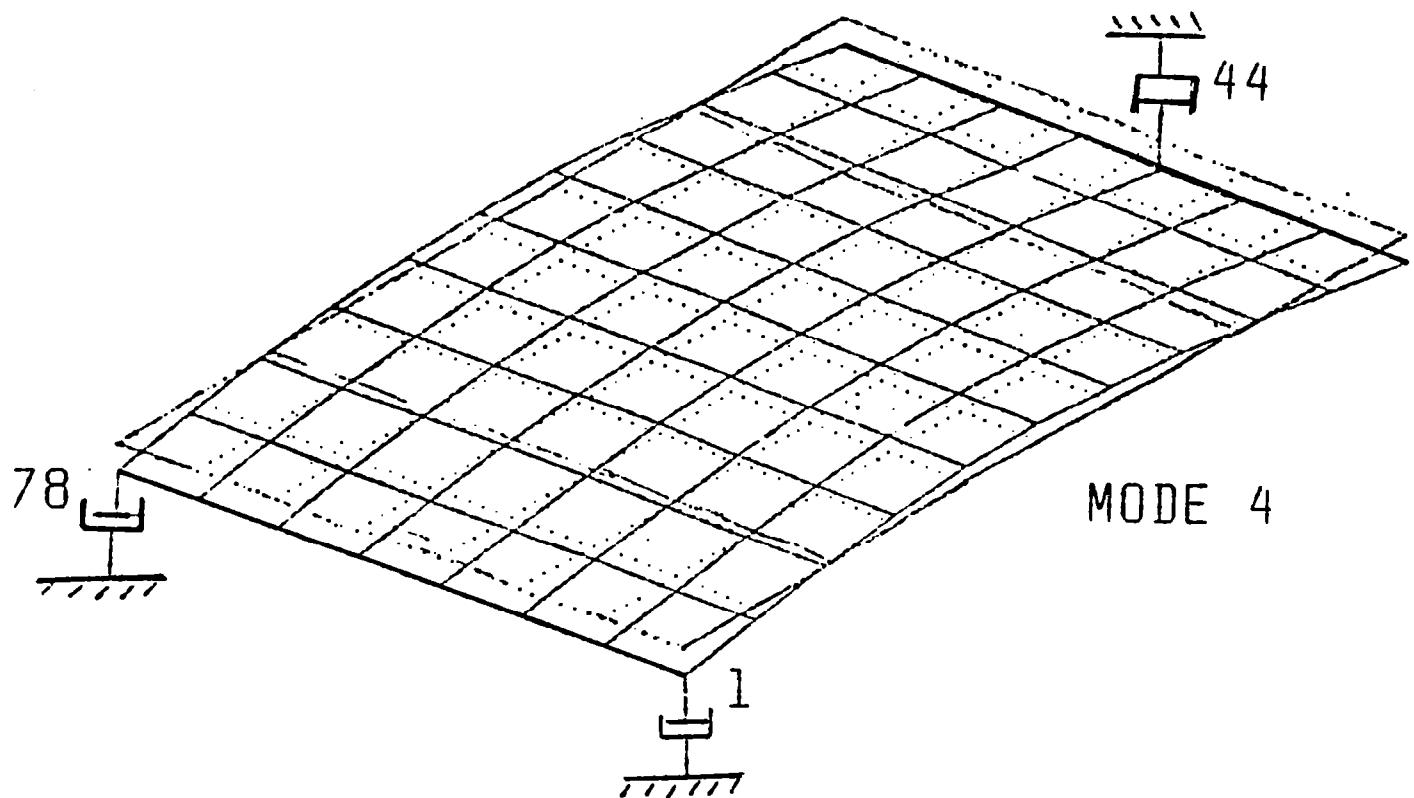
## DAMPING SYNTHESIS EXAMPLE 1

DESIRED  $\xi_4 = 0.6$   
 $\xi_5 = 0.5$

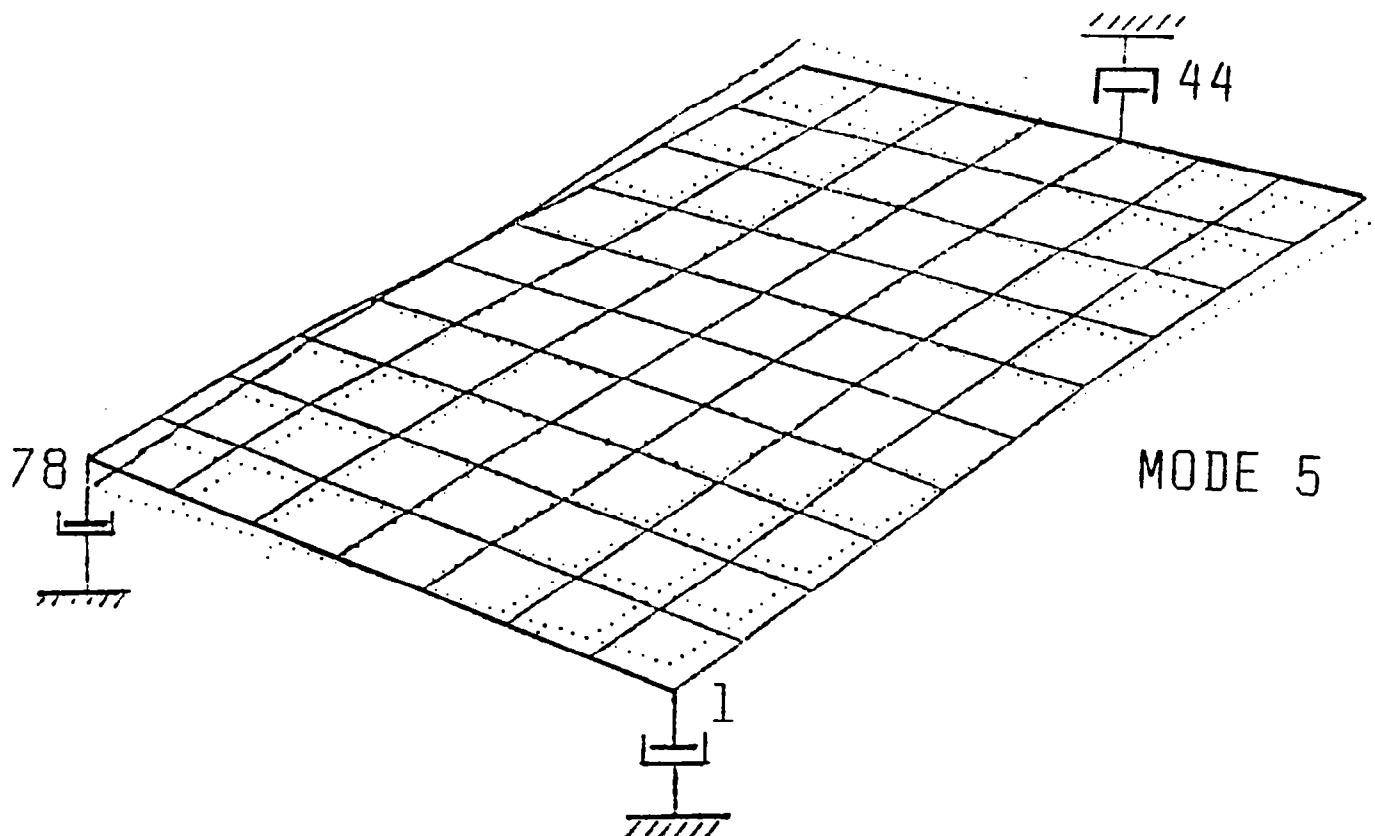
DAMPER LOCATIONS :  
D.O.F. 1, 44, 78

RESULTS :

LOCATION	GAIN
1	0.272
44	0.514
78	0.269



MODE 4



MODE 5

## DAMPING SYNTHESIS EXAMPLE 2

DESIRED  $\xi_4 = 0.7$

$\xi_5 = 0.6$

USE 6 DAMPERS AT D.O.F :

1, 11, 39, 50, 78, 88

RESULTS :

LOCATION $i$	$c_i$	$c_i$
1	0.21	0.240
11	0.25	0.240
39	0.20	0.131
50	0.20	0.131
78	0.20	0.247
88	0.21	0.245

ACHIEVED DAMPING

$\xi_4 = 0.71$

$\xi_4 =$

$\xi_5 = 0.59$

$\xi_5 =$

78	71	79	72	80	79	81	74	82	75	83	78	84	77	85	78	86	79	87	80	88
87	94		101		108		15		122		129		136		143		150		157	
67	61	68	62	69	69	70	64	71	65	72	68	73	67	74	68	75	69	76	70	77
66	53		100		107		14		121		128		135		142		149		158	
58	51	57	52	58	59	59	54	60	55	61	58	62	57	63	58	64	59	65	60	68
85	92		99		108		19		120		127		134		141		148		155	
45	41	46	42	47	43	48	44	49	45	50	46	51	47	52	48	53	49	54	50	55
64	91		98		105		12		19		126		133		140		147		154	
34	31	35	32	36	33	37	34	38	35	39	36	40	37	41	38	42	39	43	40	44
63	50		57		104		11		18		126		132		139		146		153	
23	21	24	22	25	23	26	14	27	26	28	26	29	27	30	28	31	29	32	30	33
82	89		96		103		10		17		124		131		138		145		152	
12	11	13	12	14	13	15	14	16	15	17	16	18	17	19	18	20	19	21	20	22
81	88		95		102		109		16		123		130		137		144		151	
1	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	6	6	6	7	7	8	8	9	9	10	10	11	